HIGHLY IMPORTANT FROM WASHINGTON. Mr. Bell's Resolutions Referred to Committee of Thirteen.

THE POOTE AND BENTON AFFAIR.

ORK CLAIMS AND INTEREST ALLOWED

THIRTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, April 18, 1850.

our thanked Mr. Poote for this expression of

kind feelings, but said it was a matter personal with himself; and that, from delicacy of feeling upon the subject, he must insist upon being excused.

The vote being taken, he was excused.

Semators Shurkles and Rusz made similar requests, which were refused.

THE QUESTION OF ABMITTING CALIFORNIA.

After the transaction of the morning's business, Mr.

BETTER moved to postpone all prior orders, for the pur-pose of taking up the bill for the admission of Califor-ria as a Seefe.

he consideration of

THE CALIFORNIA BILL.

MITCLAY moved to lay the motion on the table, hich was agreed to. Yeas 27, nays 24, as follows:—
YEAS—Measer, Atchiaon, Badger, Holl, Borland, Bright, utler, Cass, Clemens, Bavis, of Mississippi, Dickinson, owns, Foots, Hunter, King, Manurum, Mason, Martin, Pierce, sek, Sebastain, Sewell, Stur, on, Tarney, Underwood, hitcomb, and Yulee.

NATS—Mesers, Baldwin, Bonton, Chase, Clark, Corwin, avis, of Massachusetts, Dayton, Dodge, of Iowa; Dodge, of isconsis; Donglas, Felch, Green, Hale, Hamlin, Jones, Mir, Morris, Phelps, Seward, Shields, Smith, Spriance, alker, and Welster.

IE PROFOSED COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE—MR BENTON'S

The Abelition of Slavery within the States. The seppression of the Slave Trade between the States. The Abelition of Slavery within the ports, areanals, yards and save grounds of the United States. The Abelition of Slavery in the Intel States Columbia. The Abelition of Slavery in the Intel States Columbia to the United States of the Columbia to the United States, which shall not take consideration. The United States, which shall not be slip referred to it by order of the Seasts.

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PROFOSED GENERAL REFERENCE TO THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Halk moved to amend by adding a provision referring to the committee all the putitious and remonstrances sent to the Senate this session, relating to the subjects referred to the select committee.

Mr. Clas hoped the reference would be made. He hought the committee, after reading one or two of them, would be extisfied.

Mr. King opposed the reference of these petitions.

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Mr. Kino opposed the reference of these petitions from miserable famatics. It was insulting to propose it. Mr. Har, in the course of some remarks in reply, and, that the Senator from Alabama considered it respectful to refer the cogitations of the Senate, but where it was proposed to refer the thoughts of the people—of the sovereigns—he called it insulting.

PRITTOW FROM NEW YORK—LUNATIC ASTLUM FOR AROLUTIONISTS.

Mr. CLEMENS said he had received a petition from New York, which he should present to-morrow, suggesting the necessity for the establishment of a lunatic asylum for the abolition members, and referring to the case of an individual Senator, esking that his head be shaved forthwith, and that he be put on a cold water diet. (Laughper.)

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After debate, the chair ruled Mr. Hale's amendment out of order, upon the ground that the propositions to be referred were not under consideration.

THE COMMITTER OF THERYERS FLYALLY ORDERED.

The final question being taken upon the motion to refer Clay's and Bell's resolutions to a select committee of thirteen, without instructions, it was adopted years. 30 ; mays 22 as follows:

Fran-Atchison. Badger, Bell. Berland, Bright. Butler, Cas. Clay, Chemon. Davis (Miss.). Dickinson. Bodge (Iows) Downs. Foote. Hunter, Jones. King. Mangum. Mason. Morton, Pearse. Ruly, Schattan. Mosle, Spruance, Stargeon, Tureer. Underwood. Whiteomb. Yulee.

NAYS. Baldwin. Benton. Bradburg. Chas. Clarks. Cowan. Davis (Mass.). Daylon, Dodge (Wis.). Douglass. Felch. Greene, Bale. Hamin. Miller. Morris. Phelips. Seward, Shields, Smith, Walker, Webster.

Sallotines of the Chairman of the committee. On motion by Mr. Maxoum, it was ordered that the Senate belief first for the Chairman of the committee. On motion by Mr. Davis (of Mississippi), the balloting was postponed until to-morrew.

Art. Hair then moved that all the putitions and remonstrances laying on the table, relating to the subjects just referred to the select committee, be referred to raid committee.

The California Bill.—ADDURNERY.

Mr. Clar moved an adjournment, but withdrew the motion for Mr. Douglas. who expressed the hope-that the Senate would now, in accordance with the pledge given yesterday by Mr. Clay, take the California bill, and make it the special order for to-horrow.

Messrs. Butlers and Maxoum instead upon an adjournment, and the Senate adjourned.

BY BAIN'S ELECTRO-CHEMICAL TELEGRAPH. WASHINGTON, April 18, 1850.

Mr. Young, the Clerk elect, was qualified. Accounts were directed to investigate the affairs of the state Clerk, as connected with the contingent fund, and THE DOORSELPER TO THE HOUSE.

Mr. Lettlerelle, (dem.) of Maine, saked leave to oder a resolution, that Mr. Horner, the Acting Door-keeper, and Mr. Johnson, the Acting Post-

Mr. Raows. (dem..) of Mississippi, offered a resolution to rescind that herotofore passed, postponing
election, and that the House proceed at once to the
siection of Doorkeeper.
Mr. Toours. (whig.) of Georgia, objected to the resoguion as out of order.
The Serxix decided that the resolution postponing
the election cannot be rescinded by this mode.
Mr. Roows appealed from the decision, but subsequently withdraw his appeal, and offered a resolution

the ground that a resention post-for the year and nays.

Mr. Baown appealed, and called for the year and nays.

Mr. Tuck. (free soiler, of New Hampehire, moved that the appeal be laid on the table.

A conversation ensued, and Mr. Brown withdrew the appeal, and modified his resolution, striking out so much as provides for the immediate election.

The Straktz decided this to be out of order.

Mr. Brown appealed.

Mr. Fowler, (whig.) of Massachusetts, moved to lay the table.

esclution, and refer the charges which are now made as a question of privilege.

Mr. Baows believed that the dignity of the House quired investigation. He voted for Horner as Doorceper, but he had since changed his opinion of him. le would withdraw his resolution.

Mr. McLanz, (dem.) of Maryland, asked Brown to the charges go as a question of privilege.

Mr. Baows then preferred the charges.

Mr. Avaratr, (dem.) of Virginia, inquired whether not one of the charges had not been a matter of ovestigation by the Committee of Accounts.

Mr. Baows—Not by direction of the House.

A committee of five were ordered to be appointed to the charges.

aid claim.

d. Whether said Thomas Ewing allowed thirty-one did dollars, as interest of claim of Commodore James of the Yirginia navy, during the revolutionary war, the principal had been paid. If paid, whether simple cund interest was allowed, and whether it was by auof law.

routh, whether the such Homas wing has uniped power, and whether any officer of his has reversed the opinion of the Commissioner of Penniona. If so, by what authority has it been done.

Fifth, What persons in office appointed by said Thomas Ewing, correspond for newspapers. If so, what salaries they receive and what papers they write for.

Mr. Toosuss did not like the language of the resolution. If the gentleman will place it in becoming language he would not object.

Mr. Richardon—Will the gentleman state the terms!

Mr. Starler, (whig.) of North Carolina, moved a suspension of the rules, to let the resolution come in ahead of all others.

The Spraker said the rules could not be suspended. Fhe House went into Committee of the Whole on The framework's special california hissaid.

Mr. Ewing. (dem.) of Tennessee.) advocated Mr. McClernand's plan to admit California to settle the Texas boundary by a money consideration, and provide territorial governments for Utah and New Mexico, leaving the question whether slavery exists there to be settled by the Supreme Court.

Mr. Alston, (whig.) of Alabama, quoted the Old Testament, and referred to the law of God, nations, and nature, in justification of slavery. He contended for the happy condition of slavery. He contended to the happy condition of slavery and effected the South.

The Comittee rose, when the Speaker said that he intended to be absent to-morrow and the next day, and the unanimous consent of the House was given to him to appoint a Speaker me tem.

mon taxation? "A fellow-feeling makes us wondrous kind."

The Jersey City Ferry Company should charge twice as much as the South Ferry Company should charge twice as much as the South Ferry to Brooklyn; and the impropriety of doing so is manifest, from the fact that they can afford to commute on the same terms. (\$10 per annum) as the Brooklyn ferries. A ferry boat is much wanting between Canal street and Jersey City, as it is very unreasonable to expect persons living in the upper part of the city to come down to Courtlandt street to go to Jersey City, and if persons desire to sail by the mail steamer for Europe, the inconvenience is still greater. A ferry from Canal street is, therefore, much required by the citizens residing up town. Meantime, the ferry boat at Jersey City is so crowded on the days of the sailing of the European steamers, and the delays are so great, owing to the crowding in of wagonalluggage, &c, that an additional steamer is wanted, and it is hoped that a consideration for the public convenience will induce the Company to place another boat on the ferry upon those days.

Burial or The Maw York Volunteres in Pottar's

remove the remains to Greenwood Cemetery. There must be something wrong somewhere, when a New York Volunteer was interred in that horrible charned on Randall's Island.

The ELEVENTH REGIMENT.—Yesterday afternoon, at about four o'clock, the eleventh regiment assembled at Washington parade ground, under command of Col-Morria. There were on the ground the Montgomery Guard, Capt. Murphy. the Continental Guard, Capt. Helme; the Union Riffes, Capt. Ellis, and the Riffs Rangers. Capt. Parvins. On arriving at the square, they formed into line and in open order. After the usual salute of presenting arms for the commanding officer, the line was again closed and they broke into open columns of companies. They then marched, in quick time, by the Colonel, and around the grounds. They afterwards went through a variety of evolutions, one of which, changing front on the flank companies, was well performed and attracted considerable notice, The Montgomery Guard mustered over seventy men, and presented an admirable appearance. The Continentals looked exceedingly well, being composed of active young men, whose quaint and patriotic uniform always attracts attention. The two companies of Rifles are equally entitled to commendation.

Firsz.—Vesterday morning, about ten o'clock, a fire was discovered in the roof of the house No. 6 Warren Place, (Charles street.) supposed to have caught from the sparks of a tinner's furnace, who was repairing the roof of a house, two doors below. It was considerably damaged, both by fire and water. The house was owned by Gilbert J. Bogert, and fully insured. The loss is about \$600. The furniture, owned by Mr. Sprague and Mr. Endicott, was destroyed and damaged, to the extent of about \$250. At a quarter past five o'clock P. M., a fire broke out at No. 71 Sullivan street. The finner were extinguished after the roof was burned off.

The Sexentors of a HUMAN BODY—MYSTRIBOUS AFFARS.—On Wednerday, Coroner Geer beld an inquest at 636 Fourth street, on the remains of a male human body. The arms legs, ribs and

Run Over — James Houston, residing at 229 Bast 24th street, was run over, and his leg broken near the ankle, by a carriage, owned and driven by Mr. Cristabel Madan, of No. 11 Kast 23d street, who had him conveyed to the City Hospital, in charge of the police of the 12th ward.

U. S. District Court.

Refore Geo. W. Morston, Req.

Aran. 18.—Peter May and Treat Biakeman, two of the crew of the brig Gipacy, were brought before the court, charged with having endeavored to make a revolt. The case was adjourned to this day.

A meeting was held, last evening, of the above craft, at Mechanics' Hall, Hester street. At eight o'clock, seat, as usual, on the piatform, and prepared to take notes of the proceedings of the meeting, as we have been in the habit of doing at meetings both of Ameri-

the meeting; but a ferocious mass of dark rough hair, he said—
"Don't imagine we are afraid of having our proceedings published; no, we assemble here for our rights, to assert our rights; go and tell that to the Herald; but we will not safter you to be here to take notes of our proceedings, and laugh at us and make yourself witty at our expense."

Here the chairman turned round to the meeting, and cried:—"I there any one here that has ever read the Herald?"

It was manifest that not a soul in the whole assembly ever had read or could read the Herald, but they had been primed and loaded by the German socialist Zeitung, published in this city. We could not help shuddering as we contemplated the ferocity exhibited by the leaders, and the docile submission with which the mass obeyed their every look and impulse.

A speaker made an effort, in the English language, to speak in favor of the newspaper press, but he was quickly silenced. We found we had failen into a hornets nest of socialists, who were playing and working upon the feelings of the brave, noble, simple, honesthearted Germane; and, thinking discretion was the better part of valor," we retreated as quickly as we could, glad to get away with whole bones.

THE SHIP SAWYERS.

Last evening was held a numerous and enthusiastic

Before the proceedings commenced the President, addressing the reporter, and, "What paper do you report for?"

REFORMERT—The Herald.

PRESIDENT—O yes! it is very important that we should be rightly understood by that paper. We do not go for strikes. We only want to preserve the wages we now have. I have been informed that Mr. Bennett is against these trade movements.

REFORMER—You have been misinformed. Mr. Bennett is not against the trades seeking and obtaining fair prices for their labor; but he is against socialism, and the formation of societies upon its principles, because he believes it would prove ruinous to the tradesment themselves.

Pransipar—He is right in that We, the ship some

ther a lengthy one. The principal product, Vice-Pre-follows—
The Society to be governed by a President, Vice-Pre-aldent, Secretary, Treasure, and Committee, to be elec-ted quarterly.
The Treasurerto hold the funds till they reach \$20, when they shall be lodged in the Sevings' Bank.
Any member working for less than the regular wages, to be fined \$12.
That no sawyer go to a country boss under the regular city prices.

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Any person proposing as a member a man who does not belong to the trade, to be fined \$30.

Initiation fees, \$6, (\$3 on the night of admisrion, and \$2 afterwards.) for new members, whose names are not on the old books; the members of the old society who paid \$2, to pay 25 cents.

The sum of \$3 per week to be paid as strike-money to those who strike, according to the advice of the Committee and president, till they are again employed at fair wages.

These rules having been read over, it was moved that they be read again, and voted upon one by one.

To this an amendment was moved, that they be adopted in the lump, which was carried by a large majority.

A member said, he thought the rule requiring \$5 initiation fees from new members, ought to be altered.

The President said, according to the rules adopted to night, he could give notice to that effect for the next meeting; but it should be recollected, that in the large cities of the old country—in England. Scotland, and Ireland, where labor was worse paid than here—a fee of \$20 was paid.

Mr. James gave notice that he would move, on the next night of meeting, that the initiation fee for new members be changed to \$250.

The President then stated that the officers were only elected pre tem, at the former meeting, and that it would be now necessary to elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and a Committee.

A member—I move that the committee appointed pre tem, be now permanently appointed.

One of the Committee.—We are all Irish. Is it not better to mix American, English, and Secotch with us? Another member—There was one Englishmen, but he did not make his appearance since.

Irishman—Perhaps he was afraid of the Paddies (Laughter.)

A voice—We cannot vote till the initiation fees are paid.

The fees were then handed in, and the names taken down, and the meeting then adjourned—the election o

down, and the mesting then adjourned—the election of officers to take place at the next meeting.

MERCHING OF JOURNEYMEN WATCH CASE MAKERS.

A large and respectable meeting of the journeymen watch case makers of this city and vicinity, was held at Stonessil's litotel. Fulton street, last sevening. R. G. W. Simpson presided, and Mr. J. H. Griffin was appointed Secretary. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Several business committees then reported. The watchmakers seek an advance of wages, and a committee appointed at a former meeting to wait upon the employers, reported last evening that they had performed the duty assigned to thom, and that all except two had expressed a willingness to pay the prices asked. The increase demanded is from thirty-five to forty per cent above the old prices. The trade in the city at present is represented as being in a prosperous and improving condition. The following are the prices established by the meeting:

For common Lepine Cases.

For Lepine Case with gold cap.

For Lepine Case with gold cap.

For Lepine Hunting Case.

For Double Bottom or Imt pr Cases.

For Double Bottom or Imt pr Cases.

For Double Bottom or Imt Hunting Case.

For Boulde or Baccine depine face do.

For Solid or Baccine open face do.

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For Solid or Baccine open face do.

For Boulde Office Cape open face do.

For Solid or Baccine open face do.

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answered—Faint and him." (Laughter.)
him." (Laughter.)
Counsel for Plaintiff—A little mildness would be an improvement there.
Verdiet for plaintiff, \$30.

in the second degree, for the alleged passing of a counterfeit \$10 note, purporting to be a bill of the Ragie Bank of Bristol. R.I., the court ordered a new panel of jurors on Wednesday afternoon. The sheriff made his returns this morning; but it was found that the extra jurymen had been summoned as talcemen. This was irregular; and, although but one juryman was wanted, yet the court could not allow that one to be selected from the newly returned lot. The conrequence was, that the court and cause must wait until the sheriff could summon another panel, drawn from the box at the office of the county clerk. Finding this to be the state of the case, Mr. Ashley arose and said that as the case would take several days, and as, in consegnance of the sheriff's mistake, it would take all this day to procure a jury, he would suggest to the court the propriety of putting off the trial until the commencement of the May term. He was willing to go to trial now if the court should so order; but his counsel were actually engaged in other causes, and hence he should be under the necessity of proceeding without their sld; but the cause had been set down for trial at the present term, sithough at an earlier day than yesterday, and it was stipulated by the defence to go to trial. He would, therefore, go on, if the court desired it.

After hearing some remarks from Mr. Graham, on the part of the people, in which he stated that he had no desire to press the matter to trial under the circumstances, the court decided to let the case go off for the term. The first Monday of the May term is now designated as the day on which the court will positively take up the case.

U. S. Commissioner's Office.

Area, 18.—Peter Robinson, one of the crew of the American ship America, was arrested on a warrant from Richard & Stillwell, Keq., charging him with having, on the 5th March, unlawfully confined Alexander Moore, chief mate, and then commander of the ship, on her late voyage from Liverpool to New York.

Cosnierfeit Mosey.—Johannah Quinley was ar

in the possession counterfeit money. The accused is supposed to be connected with a gang of counterfeiters, of whom she is the agent.

Mos and Outrages upon the Swedish Colony or Lilinois, that a series of outrages have recently been committed upon the Swedish colony located in that county, and that they are threatened with extermination from the county. The men cugaged in these outrages number about seventy, from the town of Cambridge and Rock River, in the same county, and they are headed by John Root. This man, it seems, married Charlotte Louisa Johnson, but as they did not live happily together, she left him, and fied to her relations for protection against his violence. About the 20th March, Root visited the colony with a mob with the intention of regaining possession of his wife, but she had left-and gone to a place of safety. Root, irritated by this desertion, determined to avenge himself upon the innocent members of the colony—collected a mob, paraded the streets armed and threatened to burn the houses and kill the inhabitants. They acarehed the colony, and then left. On the 21th they returned and commenced demolishing some of the hours, tore off some of the boards of the church, discharged their guns, and ordered the inhabitants to leave their houses, so that they could burn them down. They drove all the men of the colony into the church, discharged their guns, and ordered the inhabitants to leave their houses, so that they could burn them down. They drove all the men of the colony into the church, discharged their guns, and ordered the inhabitants to leave their houses, so that they could burn them down. They drove all the men of the colony into the church, discharged their guns, and ordered the inhabitants to leave their houses, so that they could burn them down. They drove all the men of the colony find from the fary of the mob, and are now in St. Louis. No member of the colony had anything to do with the separation of Root and his wife, and of course they are not answerable in any shape for it. Roo

Bowers THEATRE.—The performances this evening commence with the play of "Pizarro," in which Mr. and cast of parts is excellent, indeed it cannot be office

evening are very attractive, as is the case every night at this temple of theatrical spleador. Burton—always

will play the character of Devilhoof. This theatre is

aguificent piece, translated from Victor Hugo's och

was given of the strength of the company. Two duly delivered, it was not the fault of the defendant. Counsel submitted, that as Mr. Schwarts was not the paid agent of the defendant, he is not liable for any error in the transmission of the property by the boat. Some witnesses were examined, and the jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

Court of General Sessions.

Before the Recorder and Alderman Griffin and Dodge. Arm. 18.—The Ashley Forgery Case again postponed.

In the case of Joseph C. Ashley, indiced for forgery in the second degree, for the alleged passing of a counterfeit \$10 note, purporting to be a bill of the Engle Bank of Bristol. R.I., the court ordered a new panel of jurors, on Wednesday afternoon. The sheriff made his returns this morning, the it is was the contraction of the strength of the strength of the company. Two

ble audience filled the hall to its utmost capacity, who evinced the greatest anxiety to witness the execution of the young prodigy of the age, Sebastian Gook, who, when he made his first appearance, accompanied by his instructor, Mr. H. C. Beeht, was most rapturously applauded. His performance of the grand Peniase et Fariations sur la Cracerienne, of the Caration Fariation and form for the grand Duet from "I Puritani," and of the "Bufalo Hunt," excited manifest admiration, and draw forth the most enthusiastic applause. He possesses an admirable touch, combined with accuracy and precision, and executes his task with such confidence and manifect composure, as to astoniah every one present. Mr. H. C. Becht performed, with great selet, one of his own compositions, a brilliant waits, called "The Rhine, my Home," which was received with every demonstration of pleasure and actisfaction. The several other compositions which were performed last night and the astounding development of the genius of his pupil, reflect great oredit upon his talents as a composer, and his admirable tack and ability in the capacity of instructor. Miss J. Northall, and Mme. Stephania, were rapturously encored, as was also Mr. Leopoid Meyer, who performed the grand air Midiane, with variations for the violin, with the most distinguished success.

Baccarra Instructure.—Christy's inimitable band of minatreds perform this evening at the above room. The programme is very attractive, and no doubt, will draw a large assubiage of the citizens of Brooklyn.

Otrario Thearne.—Pierce's Minstrets continue to draw large audiences. The entertainments consist of Negro medicities, choruses, and dancing. Pierce is a great favorite, and is full of wit and merriment.

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MELONGON.—White's Sevenadors are singing themselves into the affections of the Bowery folks. They give their entertainments every evening at 53 Bowery.

THE ISMAN CONCERT.—The second grand concert of the Indian Family will be held, this evening, at the Tabernacie; and all those who wish to be highly entertained, by the very essence of one of nature's best gifts, should go and hear those pretty Indian girls sing some of their wild and remantic forcat songs, which have created so much sensation throughout the cities of Philadelphia, Esitimors and Washington; and ahigh drew a full house, on Monday last, at the Tabernacie, Gra. Tou Tausa is at Barnum's Philadelphia mu-

Political Intelligence.

The Southean Convertor has met with a decided rebuke in the home of the late President, Mr. Polk. A meeting was held on the lat instant, in Maury county, to appoint delegates, but it turned out a complete faire. Major W. H. Polk offered the recolutions, but they were opposed by Barciay Martin, and flashly postponed to the first Monday of May. The Columbia Intelligencer gives the following interesting testimony from Mr. Martin, concerning Mr. Polk's opinions and public conduct;—